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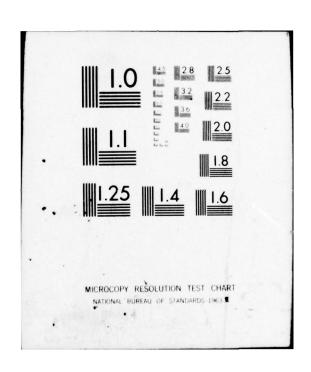
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INTRODUCTION

During 1975, the Bureau of the Census conducted an extensive general aviation (GA) survey on behalf of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Sixty data items (see Appendix) were collected from a scientifically selected sample of 9,860 owners of GA aircraft for calendar year 1974. These data were subjected to exhaustive statistical analysis by the FAA. The resulting study is the most comprehensive to date with respect to informational coverage. As such, it represents a data bank of great importance to aviation planners.

The results of the general aviation survey and analyses are presented in detail in the FAA staff study, "General Aviation: Aircraft, Owner and Utilization Characteristics," and are summarized in three sections in this chartbook. Section One describes the GA fleet, Section Two examines GA flying, and Section Three covers GA owners and uses. A brief introduction and a summary of the charts precedes each section.

The 31 charts in this chartbook convey the essential summary information derived from the study. More detailed information on the survey results and the analyses can be obtained by contacting:

Federal Aviation Administration Aviation Forecast Branch, AVP-120 800 Independence Avenue, SW. Washington, D.C. 20591

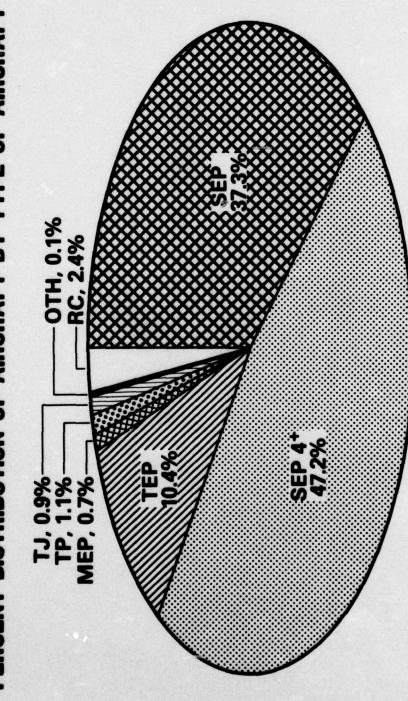
SECTION ONE

THE GENERAL AVIATION FLEET

The general aviation fleet is characterized by its: size, distribution by aircraft type, average speed, age distribution, avionics, and FAA regional distribution. These characteristics of the GA fleet are presented in this section by the following charts:

CHARTS	TITLES
1-1	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Type of Aircraft
1-2	FAA Regional Boundaries
1-3	Size of Regions According to Percent of Fleet in Regions
1-4 6 1-5	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Year of Manufacture
1-6	Percent of GA Fleet Equipped with Avionics
1-7	Percent of Aircraft Equipped with Avionics: VHF, ILS, ADF, and VOR
1-8	Percentage of Aircraft Equipped with Avionics: DME, Radar, RNAV, and Other
1-9	Median Cruising Speed by Type of Aircraft

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT



172,496 TOTAL AIRCRAFT

LEGEND:

SEP-SINGLE - ENGINE PISTON (1-3 SEATS)

SEP 4+-SINGLE-ENGINE PISTON (4 OR MORE SEATS)

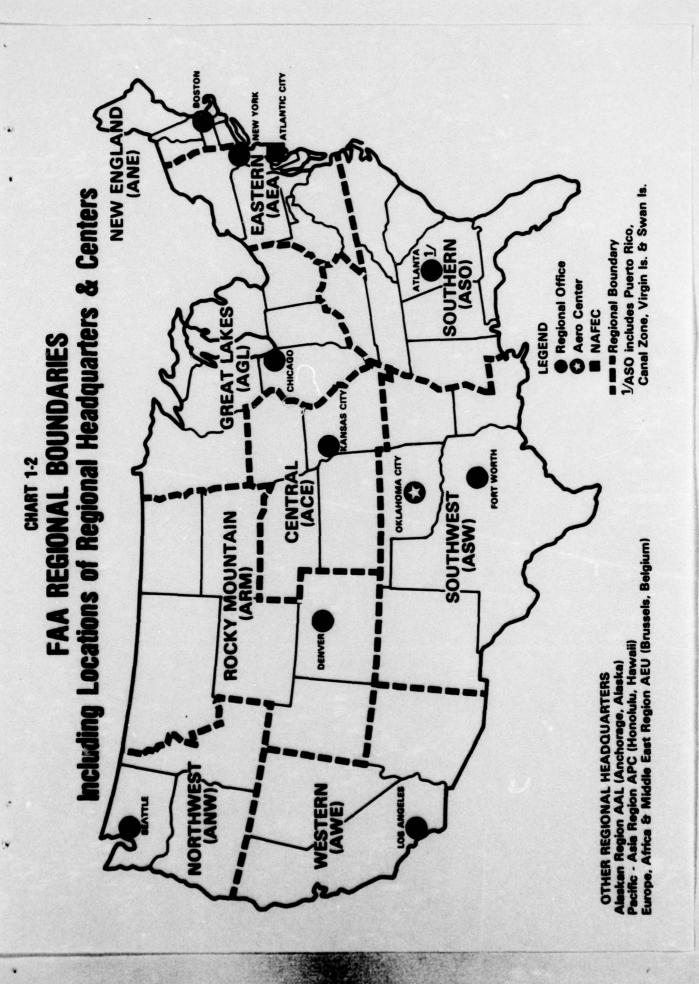
MEP-TWIN-OR MULTI-ENGINE PISTON (12,500 LBS. AND OVER) TEP-TWIN-ENGINE PISTON (UNDER 12,500 LBS.)

TP-TURBOPROP TJ-TURBOJET

TJ-TURBOJET

RC-ROTORCRAFT

OTH-OTHER



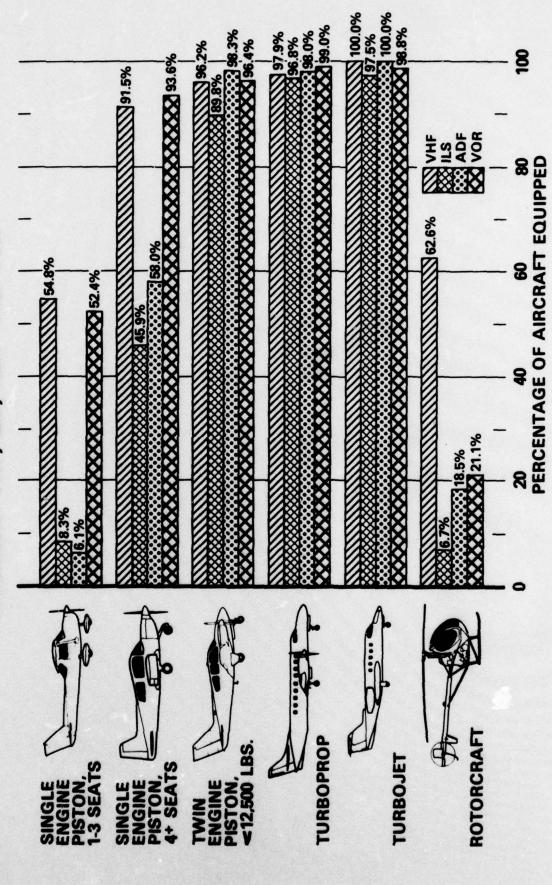
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PISTON (12,500 LBS. AND OVER) 1970-75 1965-69 1970-75 TWIN OR MULTI-ENGINE 0.0 PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT BY YEAR OF MANUFACTURE YEAR OF MANUFACTURE YEAR OF MANUFACTURE 0.0 0.0 OTHER 1901-59 1960-64 0.0 2.0 98.0 PERCENT 60 PERCENT 60 3 8 8 8 \$ 8 CHART 1-5 8 1970-75 1970-75 43.4 YEAR OF MANUFACTURE *YEAR OF MANUFACTURE* TWIN ENGINE PISTON-(UNDER 12,500 LBS.)-1965-69 28.6 36.7 ROTORCRAFI 9.6 PERCENT 60 PERCENT 8 8

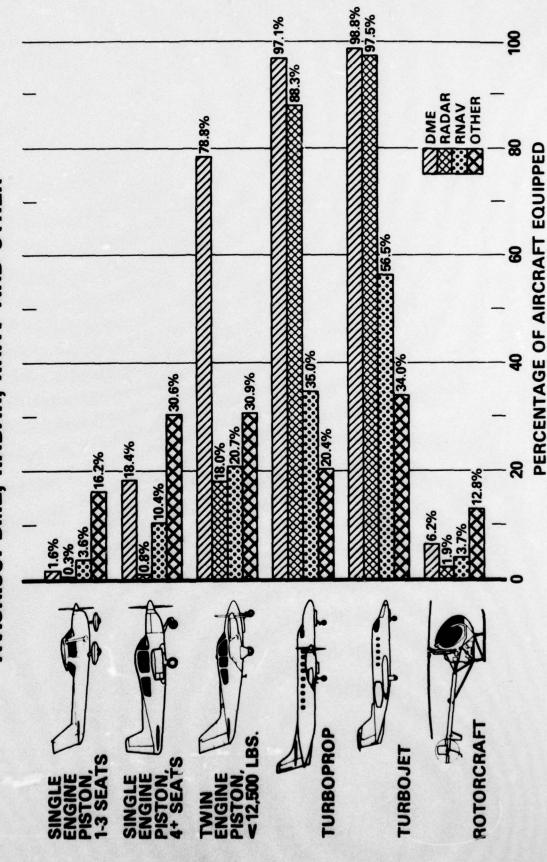
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CHART 1-7

PERCENTAGE OF AIRCRAFT EQUIPPED WITH AVIONICS: VHF, ILS, ADF AND VOR



PERCENTAGE OF AIRCRAFT EQUIPPED WITH AVIONICS: DME, RADAR, RNAV AND OTHER



MEDIAN CRUISING SPEED BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT CHART 1-9

SINGLE ENGINE PISTON
1-3 SEATS
SINGLE ENGINE PISTON
4+ SEATS

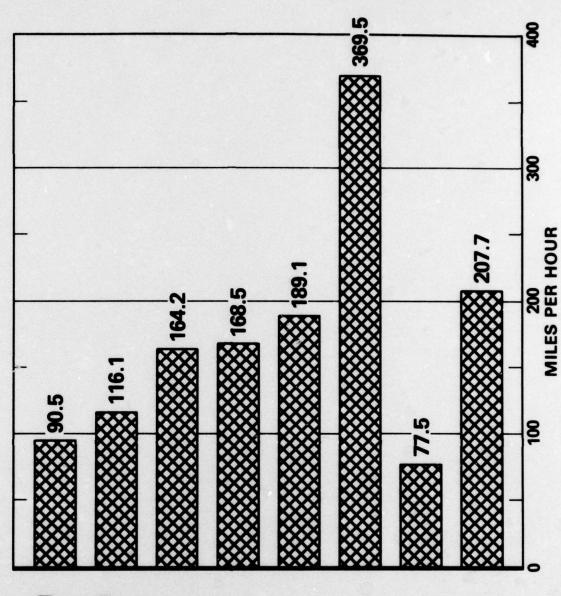
TWIN ENGINE PISTON <12,500 LBS. MULTI-ENGINE PISTON ≥ 12,500 LBS.

TURBOPROP

TURBOJET

ROTORCRAFT

OTHER



SECTION TWO

GENERAL AVIATION FLYING

The volume of flying by general aviation aircraft far surpasses that of the air carriers and the military. GA aircraft operations (landings and take-offs) have comprised the majority of total National Aviation System (NAS) operations for many years. For example, at airports with FAA traffic control service, GA operations accounted for 73.3 percent of all itinerant operations and 93.9 percent of all local operations in FY 1976. These 50.5 million GA operations are expected to grow to 63.9 million by FY 1980, and 82.6 million by FY 1985. An understanding of the type of operational flying and the intensity of use of GA aircraft is necessary so that the industry and the FAA can plan intelligently for the future. These characteristics of GA activities are presented in this section by the following charts:

CHARTS	TITLES
2-1	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by Type of Aircraft
2-2	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by Type of Aircraft: Local/Itinerand and IFR/VFR
2-3	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by FAA Regions
2-4	Median Number of Hours Ever Flown by Type of Aircraft
2-5	Median Number and Distance of Cross Country Trips by Aircraft

MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

SINGLE ENGINE PISTON
1-3 SEATS
SINGLE ENGINE PISTON
4+ SEATS
TWIN ENGINE PISTON
- 12,500 LBS.

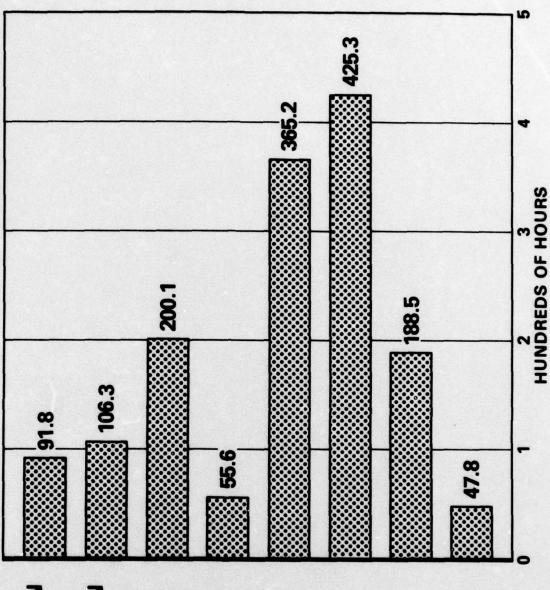
MULTI-ENGINE PISTON = 12,500 LBS.

TURBOPROP

TURBOJET

ROTORCRAFT

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MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

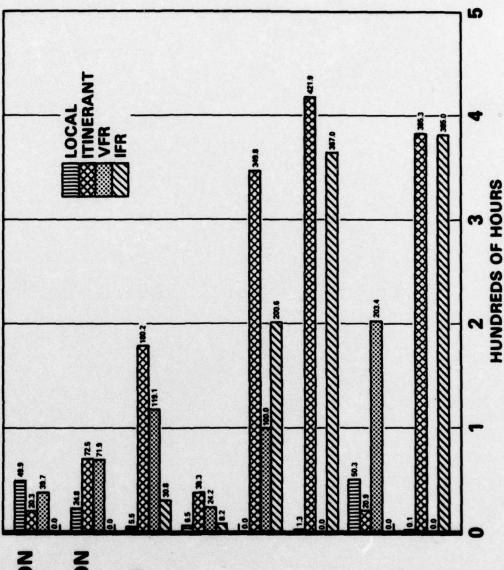
SINGLE ENGINE PISTON
1-3 SEATS
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4+ SEATS
TWIN ENGINE PISTON
-12,500 LBS.
MULTI-ENGINE
= 12,500 LBS.

TURBOPROP

TURBOJET

OTHER

ROTORCRAFT



MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY FAA REGIONS

EASTERN	COCAL STATE OF THE
SOUTHWEST	VFR 7.5
CENTRAL	1.00
WESTERN	
ALASKAN	8.28 8.28
PACIFIC	1-65-91
SOUTHERN	24.5 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0 (1.0
NEW ENGLAND	0.0
GREAT LAKES	28.1 10.0 0.0
ROCKY MOUNTAINS	0.0
NORTHWEST	48.5

MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS EVER FLOWN BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT CHART 2-4

SINGLE ENGINE PISTON 1-3 SEATS

SINGLE ENGINE PISTON 4* SEATS

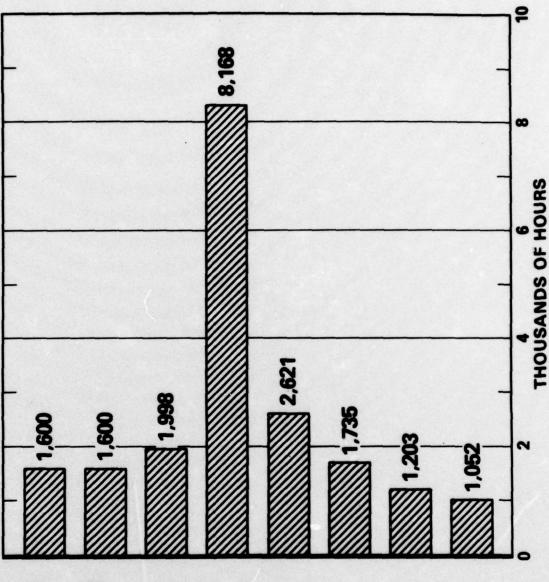
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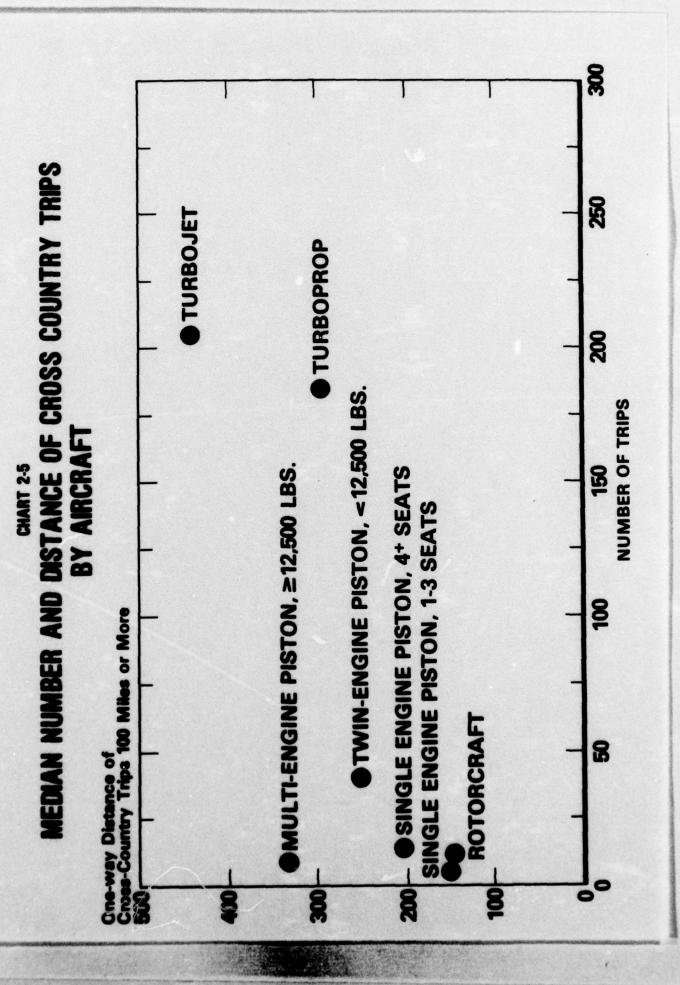
TURBOPROP

TURBOJET

ROTORCRAFT

OTHER





SECTION THREE

THE GENERAL AVIATION OWNERS AND USES

Seventeen of the 31 charts are provided in this section.

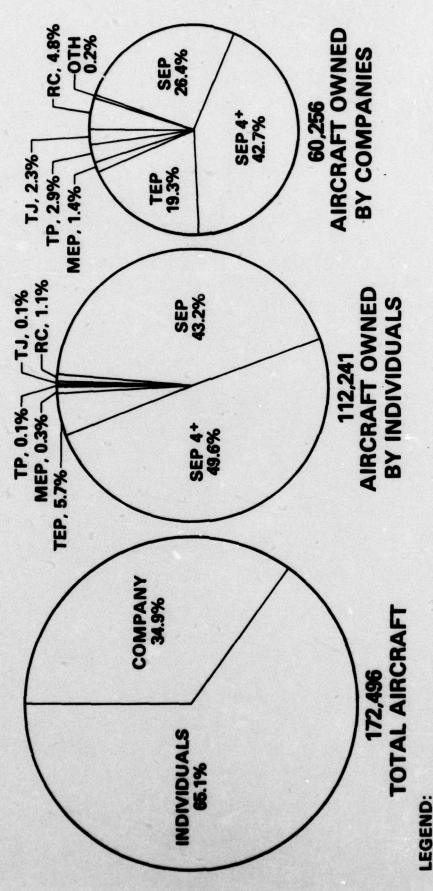
This emphasis is due to the fact that the ownership of GA aircraft is highly heterogeneous by any measure. Also, many of the fleet and flying activity data are correlated with ownership and type of use data to provide a more comprehensive analysis of the survey data. The characteristics of GA owners and type of use data are presented in this section by the following charts:

CHARTS	TITLES
3-1	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Type of Aircraft and Type of Owner
3-2	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Type of Owner/User
3-3 & 3-4	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Type of Aircraft and Type of User
3-5	Percent Distribution of User Groups by Type of Owner
3-6	Percent Distribution of Aircraft Owned by Individuals Among Occupations
3-7	Percent Distribution of Aircraft Owned by Companies Among Industries
3-8	Median Family Income of Aircraft Owners by Type of Aircraft
3-9	Median Family Income of Aircraft Owners by Primary Use of Aircraft

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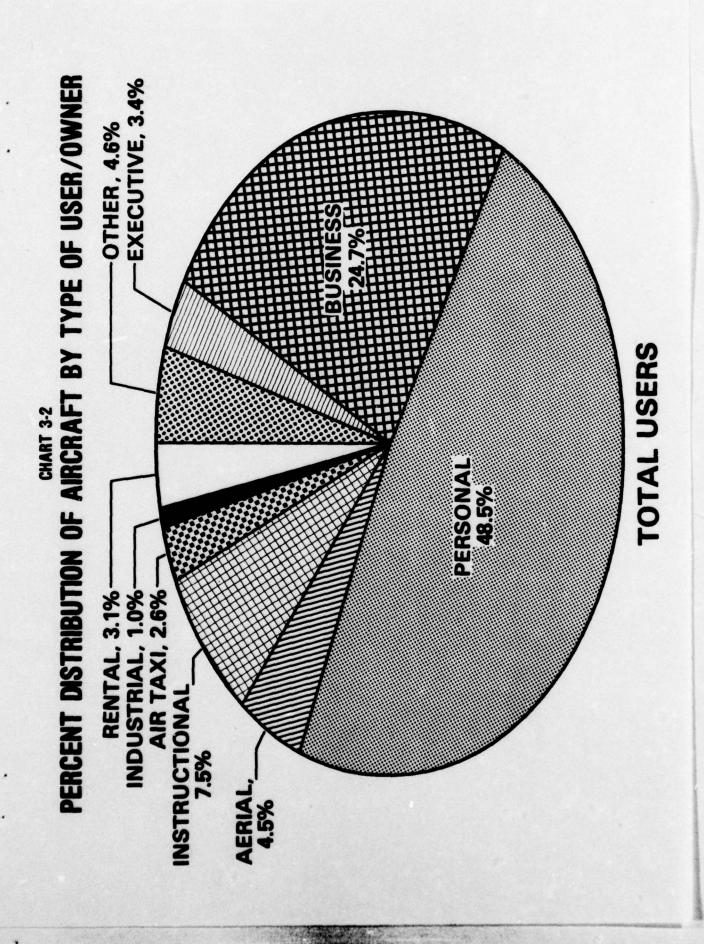
CHARTS	TITLES
3-10	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by Type of Owner
3-11	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by Primary Use of Aircraft
3-12	Median Number of Hours Flown in 1974 by Family Income Category
3-13	Median Number and Distance of Cross Country Trips by Primary Use
3-14 & 3-15	Percent Distribution of Aircraft by Primary Use and Year of Manufacture
3-16	Percent Distribution of Aircraft in Each User Group with Avionics: VHF, VOR, ADF, and ILS
3-17	Percent Distribution of Aircraft in Each User Group with Avionics: DME, Radar, RNAV, and Other

BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT AND TYPE OF OWNER CHART 3-1



MEP-TWIN-OR MULTI-ENGINE PISTON (12,500 LBS. AND OVER) SEP 4+-SINGLE-ENGINE PISTON (4 OR MORE SEATS) TEP-TWIN-ENGINE PISTON (UNDER 12,500 LBS.) SEP-SINGLE - ENGINE PISTON (1-3 SEATS)

RC-ROTORCRAFT TP-TURBOPROP TJ-TURBOJET OTH-OTHER



PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT
BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT
AND TYPE OF USER

TEP, 1.0% — MEP, 2.3% SEP 4*, 1.3% — RC, 7.1% SEP 88.2%

AERIAL APPLICATION 7,330 AIRCRAFT

RC, 5.7% OTH, 0.7% TJ, 17.5% TJ, 17.5%

3.4% — TEP, 37.1% EXECUTIVE USE 5,591 AIRCRAFT

TP, 16.7%

TP, 0.8%

MEP, 0.4%

TEP 13.0%

SEP 4+

SEP 4+

SEP 4+

SEP 4+

SEP 4+

TEP, 0.5%

TEP, 4.8%

TEP, 4.8%

SEP 4+

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INSTRUCTIONAL USERS 12,262 AIRCRAFT

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MEP-TWIN-OR MULTI-ENGINE PISTON (12,500 LBS. AND OVER) SEP 4+-SINGLE-ENGINE PISTON (4 OR MORE SEATS) TEP-TWIN-ENGINE PISTON (UNDER 12,500 LBS.) SEP-SINGLE - ENGINE PISTON (1-3 SEATS)

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OTH-OTHER

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT

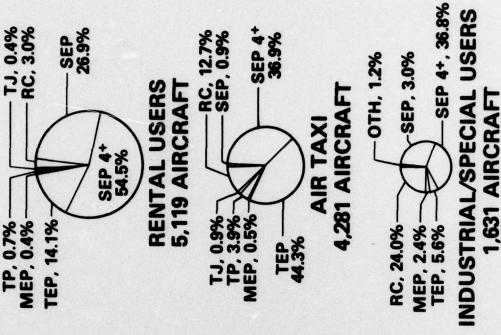
BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

AND TYPE OF USER

TEP, 24%

SEP 4**

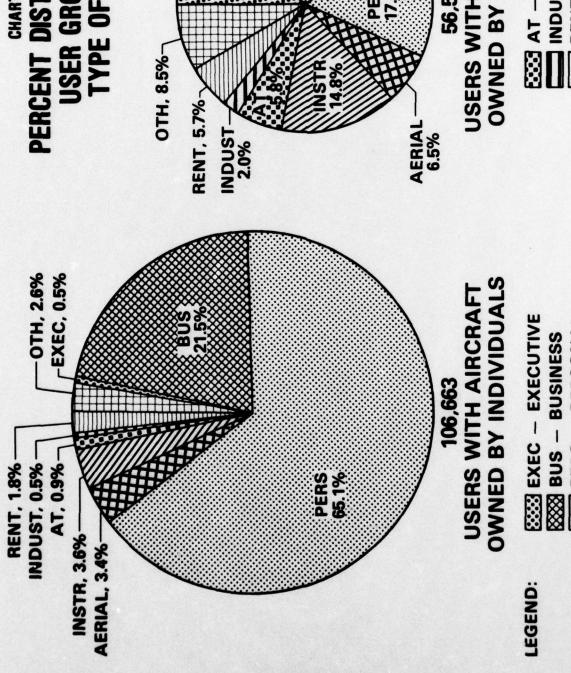
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TP-TURBOPROP TJ-TURBOJET RC-ROTORCRAFT OTH-OTHER



PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF TYPE OF OWNER **USER GROUPS BY** CHART 3-5

USERS WITH AIRCRAFT BUS 30.8% 17.0% PERS 56,527

OWNED BY COMPANY

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THE OTH - OTHER

PERS – PERSONAL

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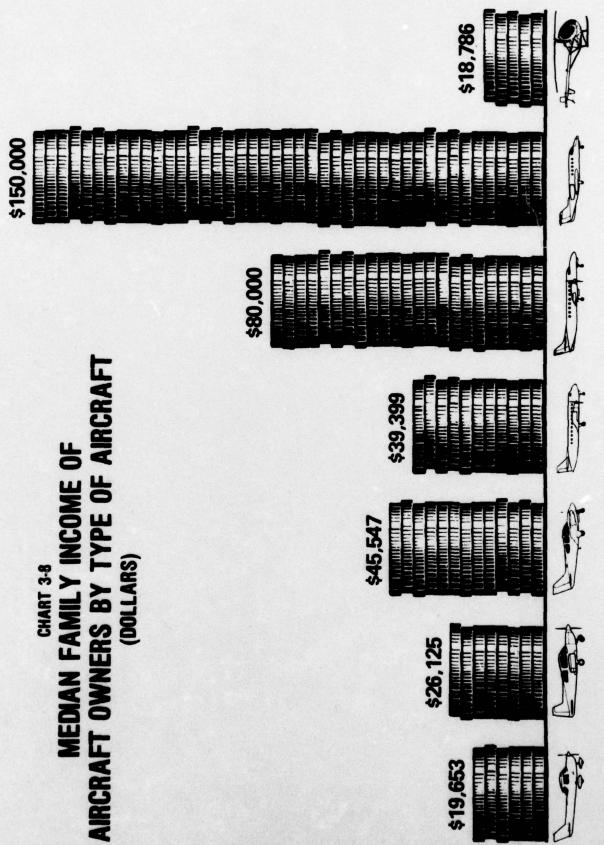
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CHART 3-6

PERCENT	NT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT OWNED BY INDIVIDUALS AMONG OCCUPATIONS	
Occupation of Individual Owner:		
Professional. technical and kindred		841.8%
Manager, administrator, except farm	30.5%	
Sales and clerical workers	4.7%	
	14.0%	
All operatives including transportation	38 2.3%	
Nonfarm laborers	0.3%	
Services, including private household	⊗ 1.2%	
Farm laborers and foremen	5.2%	
	0 10 20 30 40	5

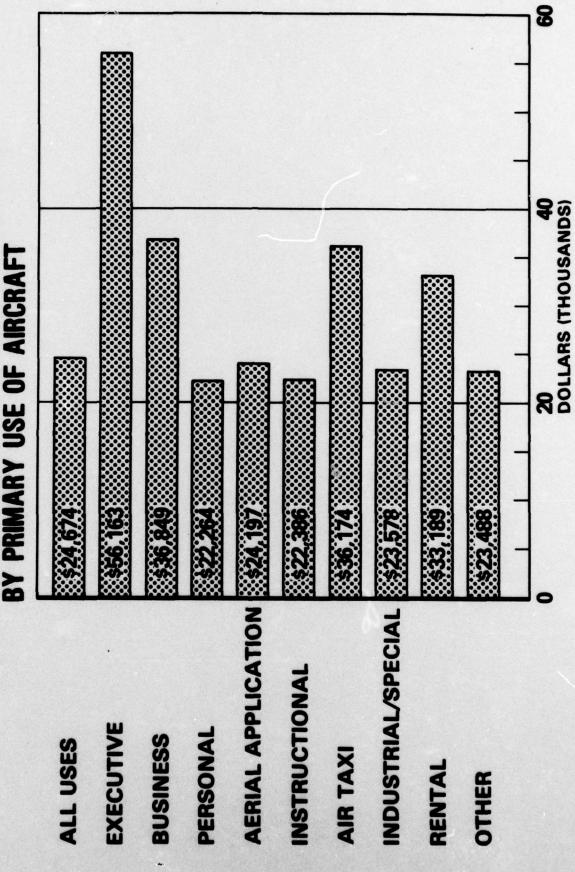
CHART 3-7

B 41.1% PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT OWNED BY Percent of Fleet Owned 23.8% **COMPANIES AMONG INDUSTRIES** 14.0% 11.2% 9 3.2% 3.4% 3.4% Industry for Company Owner: fransportation Miscellaneous insurance and public utilities Agricultural Nondurable real estate Finance, services Durable spood spoods Trade



TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME OF AIRCRAFT OWNERS



MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY TYPE OF OWNER FLIGHT HOURS ITINERANT **LOCAL FLIGHT HOURS 1974 FLIGHT HOURS**

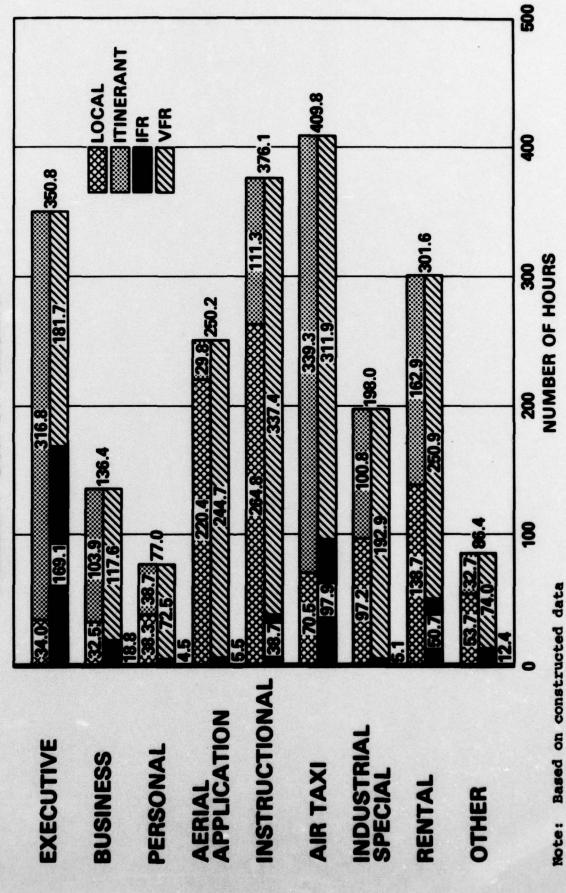
TYPE OF OWNER

VISUAL FLIGHT HOURS

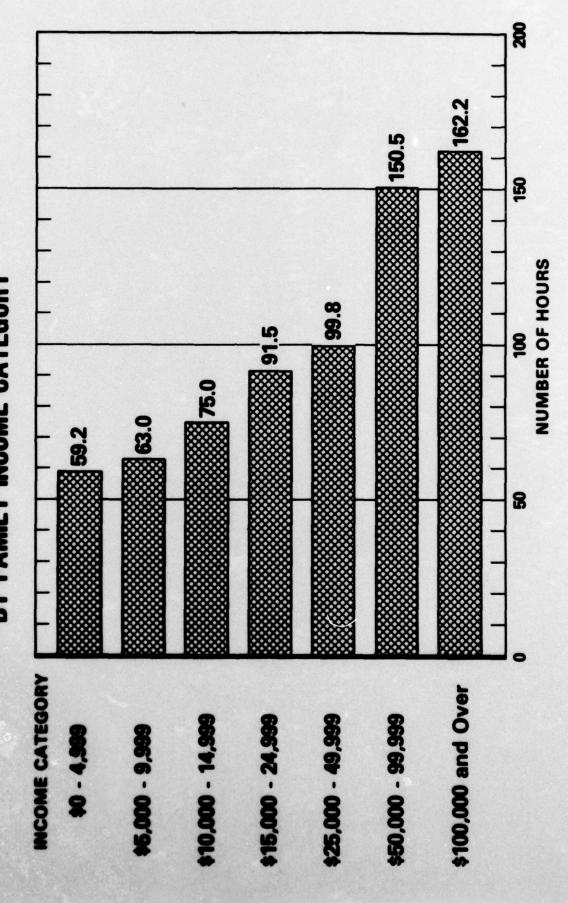
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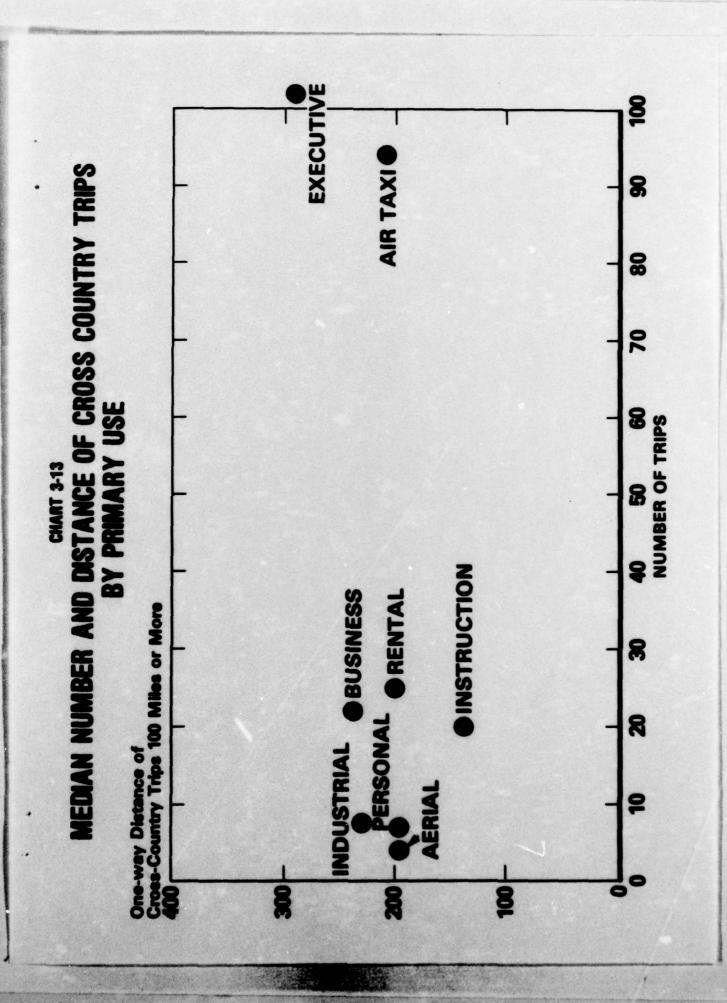
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MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY PRIMARY USE OF AIRCRAFT



MEDIAN NUMBER OF HOURS FLOWN IN 1974 BY FAMILY INCOME CATEGORY





YEAR OF MANUFACTURE 1901-59 1960-64 1965-69 1970-75 YEAR OF MANUFACTURE PERSONAL USE 67,196 AIRCRAFT 3,765 AIRCRAFT PRIMARY USE AND YEAR OF MANUFACTURE PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AIRCRAFT BY 1901-59 1960-64 PERCENT 50 PERCENT 50 8 8 2 \$ 8 8 39 1960-64 1965-69 1970-75 YEAR OF MANUFACTURE 1901-59 1960-64 1965-69 1970-75 YEAR OF MANUFACTURE INDUSTRIAL USE 1,519 AIRCRAFT EXECUTIVE USE 4,660 AIRCRAFT PERCENT 50 PERCENT 50 2 8 8 8

CHART 3-14

YEAR OF MANUFACTURE YEAR OF MANUFACTURE AERIAL APPLICATION **AIR TAXI** PRIMARY USE AND YEAR OF MANUFACTURE **AIRCRAFT BY** 1901-59 PERCENT 50 PERCENT 8 \$ 9 0 8 \$ 8 8 PERCENT DISTRIBUTION 39 1960-64 1965-69 1970-75 YEAR OF MANUFACTURE 1920-75 **TEAR OF MANUFACTURE** BUSINESS USE AIRCRAFT INSTRUCTION USE AIRCRAFT PERCENT 50 PERCENT 8 8 2 8

CHART 3-15

RENTAL IN EACH USER GROUP EQUIPPED WITH INDUSTRIAL/ SPECIAL VHF, VOR, ADF AND ILS AIR TAXI INSTRUCTION **™**ADF **CHART 3-16** AERIAL APPLICATION **⊗**VOR PERCENT OF AIRCRAFT PERSONAL **⊠VHF** BUSINESS EXECUTIVE

PERCENT OF AIRCRAFT IN EACH USER GROUP EQUIPPED WITH AVIONICS: DME, RADAR, RNAV AND OTHER

MOTHER

SRADAR SRNAV

ZDME

%97 XXXXXX RENTAL INDUSTRIAL/ SPECIAL AIR TAXI ×270 NSTRUCTION %1.7 %2.0 APPLICATION %822 XXXX PERSONAL %8.8E XXXXX BUSINESS EXECUTIVE

APPENDIX

FAA GENERAL AVIATION SURVEY

FORM \$-331 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS ADMIN. BUREAU OF THE CENSUS ACTING AS COLLECTING AGENT FOR THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION	will be held in si	oses o	onfidence, v	will be used onl	cation of the individual by by persons engaged a disclosed or released
FAA GENERAL AVIATION SURVEY					· · / · · ·
	INTERVIEW INFO	RMA'	TION (
a. Respondent's telephone number				Area code	Nymber
b. Tally of c. Results of telephote calls	one calls	P	ally of ersonal isits	e. Results of	personal visit
2 3 Interview 2 Refusal 3 Unable to lo 4 No telephone 5 Other - Speci	e number available	4			
AIF	CRAFT ACTIVITY	INFO	RMATION		e Karalia en jagainet
Refer to label — 1. Did you own a (manufacturer and with registration number at any ti that is, between January 1, 1974 and it	me last year,	6	1 Yes 2 No -	SKIP to Q. 3	
2. Did you own this aircraft for the entire	year of 1974?	7	3 Yes 4 No -	How long did y	you own it in 1974?
3. Do you presently own this aircraft?	·	9	1 Yes 2 No -	If "No" in Q.I	and 3, THANK END INTERVIEW;
4. Are (were) you the original owner of the	his gircroft?	10	3 Yes 4 No		
Verify if on label; otherwise ask — 5. What is the model and year of this air	craft?	111111111111111111111111111111111111111		Model	
6. Is this direraft presently flyable?		13	1 Yes No -	What is the state 2 In repair 3 Parked a 4 Destroye	nd not flyable

7.	How many engines does (did) this aircraft have?	Engines
		o None - Specify (glider, balloon, etc.)
		SKIP to Q. 9a
8.	What type of engine is (was) this, PISTON, TURBOPROP, or TURBOJET?	15 1 Piston
	or Tokboje!	i 2 Turboprop 3 Turbojet
90.	Does (did) this aircraft have VHF (Very High Frequency)	16 4 Yes
	COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, or ILS (Instrument Landing System) RECEPTION CAPABILITY?	5 No - SKIP to Q. 10
ь.	Which capability does (did) it have?	17 6 Both
		e ILS only
10.	Does (did) this aircraft have any of the following navigation equipment —	
	(1) Very High Frequency OMNI-Directional Receiver (VOR)?	18 1 Yes . 2 No
	(2) Distance Measuring Equipment (DME)?	19 3 Yes 4 No
	(3) Automatic Direction Finder (ADF)?	20 5 Yes 6 No
	(4) Weather Radar?	21 1 Yes 2 No .
	(5) Area Nazigation Equipment?	22 3 Yes 4 No
	(6) Any other type of navigation equipment?	23 5 Yes - Specify 6 No
		24 1 RE-ASK (6)
110.	Which of the following flight categories describe the uses made of this aircraft? Is it used —	
	(1) For executive purposes, that is, flown by a professional pilot for the corporation?	25 1 Yes 2 No
	(2) For business purposes, that is, flown by you or some other individual on business trips?	26 3 Yes 4 No
	(3) For personal reasons such as for vacations or personal enjoyment?	27 5 Yes 6 No
	(4) For aerial application?	28 1 Yes 2 No
	(5) For instruction purposes, that is, teaching someone else to fly?	29 3 Yes 4 No
	(6) As an air texi?	30 s Yes 6 No
	(7) For industrial or special purposes such as air patrol or aerial photography?	31 1 Yes 2 No
	(8) As part of an aircraft rental business?	32 s Yes 4 No
	79) For any other purposes?	33 5 Yes 6 No
	Ask if more than one "Yes" entry in Q. 11a; otherwise skip to Q. 12.	14 1 Executive 2 Business
•	Which of these categories — (Read "Yes" entries) would best describe the primary use made of this eircraft? (Mark only one)	a Personal a Aerial application b Instruction c Air taxi lindustrial/special Aircraft rental business c) Other

 How many TOTAL hours has this aircraft EVER been flown? Include all hours EVER flown, regardless of aircraft owner or pilot. 	Hours
13. How many TOTAL hours was this aircraft flown in 1974?	O Not flown SKIP to Q. 17
14. Of those total hours in 1974, how many hours was the aircraft used in LOCAL FLYING, that is, taking off and landing at the SAME airport?	O None
15a. In 1974, how many hours was the aircraft used in ITINERANT FLYING, that is, taking off from one airport and landing at a DIFFERENT airport?	Hours O None - SKIP to Q. 17
b. How many of these ITINERANT flight hours were flown under INSTRUMENT FLIGHT RULES?	O None Hours
c. How many of these ITINERANT flight hours were flews under VISUAL FLIGHT RULES?	40 Hours
160. Was this aircraft used to make any CROSS-COUNTRY trips in 1974, that is, trips of 100 MILES or more?	41 1 Yes 2 No SKIP to Q. 17
b. How many CROSS-COUNTRY trips were made?	42 Trips
c. What was the average one-way distance (in miles) of these trips?	43 Miles
17. Is this aircraft parked or hangared at the airport facated nearest to you, that is, to your residence or place of work?	44 1 Yes 2 No
18a. What are your reasons for choosing the airport at which this aircraft is presently parked? Was it for —	45]
(1) Convenience - proximity to home or work?	
(2) Quality of fixed base operator?	
(3) Price considerations — costs?	
(4) Only eveilable eirport – due to your location?	1 Yes 2 No
(5) Operational requirement — due to type of aircraft (e.g., longer runway for jet aircraft)?	49 3 Yes . 4 No
(6) Quality of airport - tower, weather capability, etc.?	
(7) Purchased aircraft at that airport?	
(8) Any other reason?	
Ask if more than one "Yes" entry in Q. 18a; otherwise skip to Q. 19.	53 1 Convenience 2 Quality of fixed base operator
b. Which of these reasons — (Read "Yes" entries) would best describe the primary reason you chose your present airport? (Mark only one)	Price considerations Price considerations

19. Do you (does your company) own any other aircraft, besides this one?	Yes No How many other aircraft do you (does your company) own?
INTERVIEWER CHECK	ASK 20a 2 Aircraft is owned by an individual — ASK 20a 2 Aircraft is owned by a company, part- nership, or corporation — ASK 22a
AIRCRAFT OWNER IN	FORMATION
20s. For whom did you work most of the time in 1974? Name of company, business, organization or other employer	Employer
b. What kind of business or industry is this? For example, TV or radio manufacturing, retail shoe store, State Labor Department, farm	57 Industry
c. What kind of work did you do? For example, farmer, electrical engineer, stock clerk	S8 Occupation
d. What were your most important activities or duties? For example, keeps account books, sells cars, operates printing press	Duties
21. Which of the following categories represents your total combined family income for the post 12 months? Include income from all sources such as wages, salaries, not income from a business or farm, pensions, dividends, interest, rent, and any other maney income received by the members of this family.	
220. What is the name of the company that owns this circraft?	Name of company
b. What kind of business or industry is this? For example, TV or radio manufacturing, retail shoe store, State Labor Department, farm	60 Industry
Notes THANK RESPONDENT AND	END INTERVIEW

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